

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

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Trade Facilitation Centres
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to open some High-tech Trade Facilitation Centres in the entire country to boost trade opportunities in the textile sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard; and
- (c) the details of the funding pattern and legal set-up in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI AJAY TAMTA)

(a) to (c): A Trade facilitation Centre and Craft Museum has been set up at Bada Lalpur, Varanasi in an area of 7.93 acres of land for development and promotion of handloom products and to carry forward the rich tradition of handlooms of Varanasi. The first phase of the project consisting of Crafts Museum, Entrance Plaza and Shopping Arcade was inaugurated on 22.12.2016. The project is designed to offer modern amenities and business enabling infrastructure. The project is fully funded by Government and the estimated project cost is Rs 305 crore.

Ministry of Textiles has also decided to set up 10 Textile facilitation Centres across the country with a budget of Rs. 100 crore @ Rs 10 crore each in 2017-18 from its own budget with a view to create market linkages and distribution channels; provide credit linkage; provide infrastructure support; provide training, capacity building and design support; information exchange display etc in Textile Clusters.
